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SUBJ: GABON RECOGNIZES FLEC

1. ACCORDING TO AFP REPORT, GOG HAS DECIDED TO RECOGNIZE FLEC (FRONT FOR LIBERATION OF ENCLAVE OF CABINDA) AS LIBERATION MOVEMENT, AND FLEC WILL SHORTLY SET UP OFFICE IN LIBREVILLE. ANNOUNCEMENT MADE AT END OF MEETING JUNE 22 BETWEEN PRESIDENT BONGO AND RANQUE FRANQUE, PRESIDENT OF FLEC.

2. COMMENT: LATE LAST YEAR, PRESIDENT BONGO GAVE INDICATIONS OF FAVORING INDEPENDENT CABINDA BUT SUBSEQUENTLY BACKED OFF FROM THIS POSITION AND WORKED AT DEVELOPING GOOD RELATIONS WITH VARIOUS ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. RECENT EVENTS IN ANGOLA MAY HAVE CONVINCED PRESIDENT THAT IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR ANGOLA BESET BY OTHER PROBLEMS TO KEEP CABINDA AND THUS PRESIDENT APPARENTLY HAS DECIDED THAT TIME RIPE TO RETURN TO HIS ORIGINAL POSITION AND BACK FLEC.

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